

Sir

The French Consul has

presented to me that you have taken on board
your Vessel sundry French Sailors. As this
is contrary to the Spirit of our Treaty with
that Nation of has a Tendency to embroil the
State with our Allies and destroy the Harmony
we wish to preserve. I must insist upon
your giving all such Sailors up as you will
answer the contrary at your Peril. But I
hope your own good Sense will make any
Thing farther unnecessary of especially as I
shall consider your ready Compliance a Proof
of your Friendship & Regard to me as well

as the State.

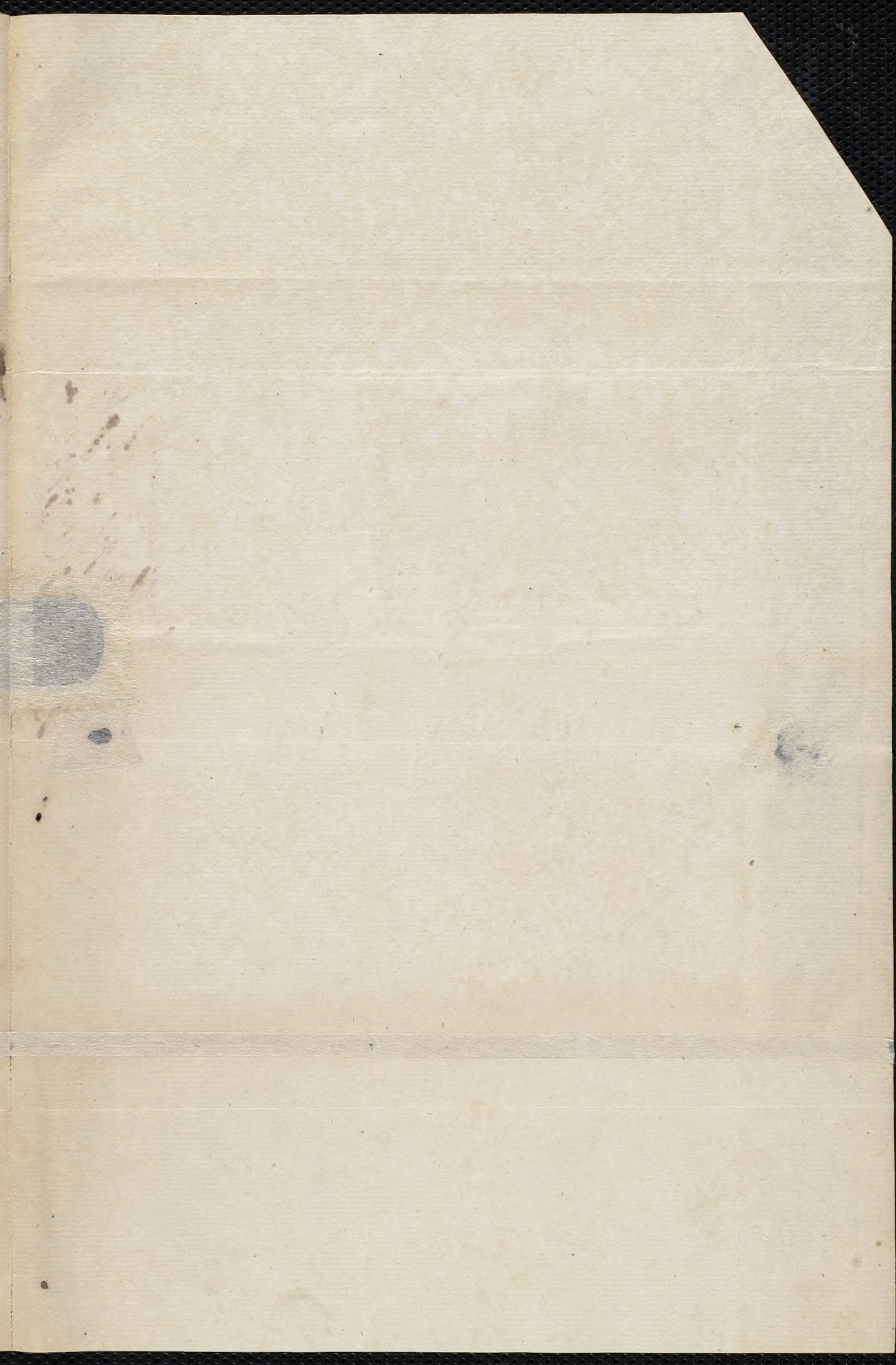
I am wishing you a good

Yours Sir Your most obed. Attch

Saml Reed,
President

Walnut Street

Feb. 14th 1779.



On packet letter - W. Reed.

To - Capt. Pray - at Chester or

elsewhere in the State of

Connecticut

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I have the honor to
acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 11th
inst. and in reply to
inform you that the same
has been forwarded to the
proper authorities for their
consideration.